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28 January 1953

On 23 January 1953, records of G-2, Department of the Army were reviewed and disclosed Library Document Numbers L646151 and L413877. Document L646151 contained the following information which was described as "unevaluated information."

Date of Birth = 6 August 1903, Sytchzvitchi, Vilua region
of Byeloriessia (also known as White Ruthenia)
He was chief of Vileyka Region (White Ruthenion Port of Poland) from 1922-24 for the Byelorussian government-in-exile which, at that time, maintained its seat in Kaunas (Lovno) in 1933, he was a member of the 158 man "Roda" (parliament of the Byelorussian government-in-exile); in March, 1943, upon the death of Vashile Zacharka in Prague, he succeeded as president of the Rada and head of the Byelorussian government-in-exile.

It was stated that he was unplacably hostile to the USSR, being the leader of anti-Soviet struggle of Byelorussians both in their homeland and in other countries; he maintains friendly contacts with western governments, including U.S. authorities; advocates political and cultural independence of Byelorussia from Poland and USSR, possibly within the framework of a regional or world federation of states; would establish parliamentary democracy in Beylorussia. He entered Czechoslovakia illegally in 1924; in 1943 he took an illegal trip to Byelorussia where he contacted anti-German guerrillas, was arrested on return to Berlin in November, 1943, expelled to Paris and kept under Gestapo surveillance there, He has maintained contact with some 500 Byelorussian organizations the world over and with Iron Curtain refugee groups and committees,

The Library documents contained a letter dated 10 October 1947, written in the French language by _____ le President de la Republique Democratique Bielorussienne eu exile and addressed to the United States Ambassador in Paris. A summary of the letter is set forth:

News of the appointment of one Dr. Jerinatcheulso Jean as adviser on Beylo-Russian affairs to the United States was alarming and _____ felt it his duty to write the following:

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It is true that Jean was the Consular Agent for the Byelorussian Democratic Republic in Turkey in 1920, but he has since been degraded because of his unworthy conduct. He possessed a bad reputation and was suspected of being a Soviet agent and a confidente official with the Gestapo.

No other pertinent data was contained in these documents.

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